

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of

Inventor: Machold et al.

Divisional of Serial No. 09/707,257

filed November 6, 2000

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR CONTROL OF A PATIENT'S BODY TEMPERATURE BY WAY OF A TRANSLUMINALLY INSERTABLE HEAT EXCHANGE CATHETER

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed concurrently with a divisional application of U.S. Serial No. 09/707,257, filed November 6, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/563,946 filed May 2, 2000, which claims benefit of 60/219,922, filed July 21, 2000, and claims benefit of 60/185,561, filed February 28, 2000. Please enter this Preliminary Amendment prior to examination of the application.